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Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Re: Application No: 09/502,478 Examiner: Thomas M. Ho  
Applicant(s): Kira Serling Attwood, et al Group Art Unit: 2134  
Filing Date: 2/11/2000  
Entitled: TECHNIQUE OF DEFENDING AGAINST NETWORK CONNECTION FLOODING  
ATTACKS  
Attorney Docket No. RSW9-99-129 (7161-142U)

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January 5, 2004

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Reply to the Office Action mailed October 03, 2003.

The following checked items are applicable:

☐ \_\_\_\_\_ sheets of formal drawings, FIGS. \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ A Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection Over a Prior Patent is herewith enclosed, as well as the small-entity terminal disclaimer fee of \$55.

☐ A Petition for Extension of Time and the small-entity extension fee of \$55 for filing a response within the first month is herewith enclosed.

☒ Notice of Change of Correspondence Address is enclosed.

CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT:	MINUS PRIOR PAID CLAIMS:	EQUALS PRESENT EXTRA CLAIMS:	RATE:	ADDITIONAL FEE:
Independent: 5	5	0	x \$ 86.00 =	\$ 0
Total: 16	20	0	x \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0
Multiple Dependent Claims (1st presentation)			+\$290.00=	\$ 0
SUBTOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE				\$ 0
Small Entity filing, divide by 2.				\$ 0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE				\$ 0

☐ The fee has been calculated above; enclosed is a check in the amount of \$

☒ A self-addressed, stamped postcard for verification and receipt is enclosed.

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Date: January 5, 2004

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